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Backlog of Vacancies
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) had issued certain notifications in the year 2014 and 2015 to fill up the backlog of vacancies meant for SC/ST candidates and the same were struck down by Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether CBEC has any plans to challenge the judgement of CAT in the interest of SC/ST candidates and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether CBEC notifications dated 11th and 18th July, 2016 in this regard are going to cover SC/ST candidates also, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Filling up of backlog vacancies is done on a continuous basis as per instructions of DoPT in this regard from time to time. Instructions were issued on 15th April 2015 to all field formations of CBEC to fill up backlog vacancies. There is no order of Central Administrative Tribunal striking down filling up of backlog vacancies for SC/ST candidates.

(c): CBEC has issued letters on 11.07.2016 and 18.07.2016 calling for APAR folders, Vigilance status, Integrity Certificate etc. for DPC from Group 'B' to Group 'A' for the vacancy years 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively, and these cover all eligible candidates including SC/ST.